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NHDOT SPONSOR-A-HIGHWAY INFORMATION
NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation introduces a new feature, *The NHDOT Sponsor-A-Highway Program*, to its Internet website, www.nhdot.com.

Available information about the program includes an explanation of the program, necessary forms, maps, and contact names and phone numbers.

To access New Hampshire's Sponsor-A-Highway Program information from your browser, simply enter www.nhdot.com and click the Sponsor-A-Highway icon.

The Sponsor-A-Highway Program provides an opportunity for individuals, organizations and businesses to help the Department of Transportation maintain sections of roadside on New Hampshire's state highway system by volunteering to remove the litter along these sections.

"The value of our Sponsor-A-Highway Program can be measured not only in financial savings to the taxpayers, but in the dedicated hours that hundreds of volunteers have unselfishly donated to keep New Hampshire beautiful for all of us," according to Caleb Dobbins, Assistant Administrator for the Department's Bureau of Highway Maintenance.

Since New Hampshire's Sponsor-A-Highway Program began in 1994, thousands of volunteers representing over 700 groups have picked litter on over 1,500 miles of New Hampshire's roadside. In the process over 130,000 bags of litter have been collected!

"The Internet is an ideal way for the Department of Transportation to effectively promote the program and distribute information to potential participants," says Tom Gilligan, webmaster for the NHDOT website.